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# Applicant(s)

The 5th named applicant should read:

Joji Koji Endo, Tokyo, JAPAN

#### Title

The title should read:

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Title

Electronic Instrument

Hinge device and electronic apparatus using the same

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